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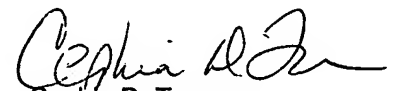
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DETAILED ACTION

1. The reply filed on June 12, 2006 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): applicant has amended claims 26, 38, 39 and 40 by inserting the language "surface parallel with said exterior surface".

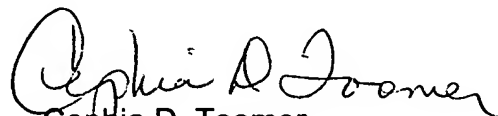
However, it is not readily apparent where this limitation may be found in the specification, nor has Applicant pointed out where the support for this limitation may be found. See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given **ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS** from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Cephia D. Toomer whose telephone number is 571-272-1126. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Thursday.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Vasu Jagannathan can be reached on 571-272-1119. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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